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HOUSE RESOLUTION 296
By Maddox

A RESOLUTION to commemorate the fiftieth wedding anniversary of George and Mary Keith.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those couples, whose love and commitment serve as the foundation upon which the American family stands strong and proud; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 1950, George Fletcher Keith and Mary Etta Shipp were united in matrimony, and since that fateful day, this devoted couple has remained true to each other and faithfully adhered to the blessed sacrament of marriage; and

WHEREAS, the Keith's were united in marriage at Glen Alpine United Methodist Church in Sullivan Gardens, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Keith's were the first couple to be married in this church; and

WHEREAS, the ceremony was performed by Reverend C.B. Davis; the witnesses were Mary Fulton Barnes, mother of the groom, and Kathleen Morelock Shipp, mother of the bride; and

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WHEREAS, the father of the groom was James Kenneth Keith and the father of the bride was Clarence Everett Shipp; and

WHEREAS, the couple met at Holston High School in Blountville, where they were high school sweethearts; George was a basketball player, and Mary was a cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, the Keith's are the proud parents of three daughters, Cynthia Leigh, Amelia Lou and Kristy Kathleen; and

WHEREAS, their legacy of love is best expressed in the form of their six grandchildren: Tonya Leigh Hill, Thomas Emmett Liverman, III, Timothy Lynn Greer, II, Emily Elizabeth Harrell, Russell Keith Hudson and Ashley Elizabeth Hudson, and their great grandson, Adam Jeffrey Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Keith's are actively involved in their community where they are dearly loved and respected by their friends and neighbors; they enjoy golfing and travelling together; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are proud to honor the Keith's on the celebration of this most joyous event; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate George Fletcher Keith and Mary Etta Shipp Keith on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, and extend to them our best wishes for every future happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.